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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

February 3, 2009

On November 2, 2008, a quintuple murder occurred in the City of Long Beach in a homeless encampment. The investigation started with an anonymous caller who reported the crime. The caller gave a brief description of the location which led CHP officers to the crime scene. Arriving officers found 5 people dead from gun shot wounds inside of a homeless encampment along the south bound side of the 405 freeway at the Santa Fe Avenue off-ramp.

The following residents of Los Angeles County were identified as the victims of the murder:

Katherine Lynn Verdun - 24 years old, Long Beach Resident
Vanessa Malaepule - 34 years old, Carson Resident
Jose Lorenzo Villicana - 44 years old, Long Beach Resident
Frederick Doyle Neumeier - 53 years old, Long Beach Resident
Hamid Shraifat - 41 years old, Signal Hill Resident

No one has been arrested in this case. Although the original calling party has come forward, additional witnesses have not come forward. Investigators believe it

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would be beneficial to offer a reward in this case which may prompt reluctant witnesses to come forward and provide information to identify the individual(s) responsible for this crime. They can remain anonymous.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors extend the offer of a \$20,000 dollar reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s) of this heinous crime.

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